GOVERNOR GRETCHEN WHITMER REBUILDING MICHIGAN'S ROADS AND BRIDGES



Governor Whitmer is fixing the damn roads and creating tens of thousands of good-paying construction jobs. Since taking office, Michigan has invested nearly \$4.75 billion to repair, replace, or rehabilitate 13,198 lane miles of road and 903 bridges. She launched the Rebuilding Michigan Plan, a 5-year, \$3.5 billion investment in our highways and bridges without an increase at the pump. Over 20 projects supporting 22,800 good-paying construction jobs are already underway. She secured funding to repair or replace nearly 100 local bridges in the fiscal year 2022 bipartisan budget. She also continued Michigan's partnership around the Gordie Howe International Bridge, a key trade corridor between Michigan and Canada that has already created 2,500 good-paying jobs for Michiganders. The cones and barrels at hundreds of sites statewide demonstrate that Governor Whitmer is fixing our crumbling roads and bridges so that people can go to work and get home safely, parents can drive their kids to school without blowing an axle, and businesses can get their goods where they need to go.

INVESTMENTS IN OUR ROADS, BRIDGES, AND WATER INFRASTRUCTURE

- Since Governor Whitmer took office, Michigan has invested nearly \$4.75 billion to repair, replace, or rehabilitate 13,198 lane miles of road and 903 bridges.
- Launched the <u>Rebuilding Michigan</u> Plan, a \$3.5 billion bond plan that expands hundreds of major new road projects, building up our state highways and bridges over the next 5 years, without an increase at the pump.
 - In 2020, Michigan invested a total of \$1.984 billion in our roads. In 2021, that number is anticipated to reach \$3.57 billion.
 - In September 2020, Michigan spent the first \$800 million bond to cover the cost of rebuilding some of Michigan's most highly traveled freeways, including I-496.
 - In August 2021, the state announced <u>an additional bond</u> which includes funding for a \$120 million project on I-94 in Jackson County.
 - The investment supports approximately 22,800 construction jobs in 2021 along with an additional 21,700 jobs in other industries.
- Invested \$196 million to repair or replace 100 local bridges in serious or critical condition, creating 2,500 jobs.
- Signed an <u>Executive Directive</u> to ensure that the funding for roads and bridges from the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act is spent and deployed effectively.
- Continued partnership with the Canadian government on the Gordie Howe International Bridge, a major trade corridor that supports at least <u>2,500 good-paying jobs</u> for Michiganders.
- Launched MI Clean Water, a \$1 billion plan to upgrade <u>water infrastructure</u>. Taken together, these investments would support 15,000 jobs. In addition to MI Clean Water, invested over \$2 billon to upgrade drinking water, stormwater, and wastewater facilities across the state, supporting 30,000 jobs.

"Our roads are dangerous, and the longer we wait, the more expensive it will be to fix them. That's why I'm taking action now to fix the damn roads and keep Michiganders safe. In the state that put the world on wheels, every family deserves access to roads that get them where they need to go without blowing an axle or cracking a windshield. I am committed to making lasting investments in infrastructure and with my Rebuilding Michigan plan, we are moving dirt right now and building up our roads to connect our communities, families, and small businesses."

- Governor Gretchen Whitmer

